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The dam is constructed of rock and earth filled timber cribbing and is equipped with 6.2 ft. of nonfailing flashboards. It is about 275 ft. long and 15 ft. high. It is small in size with a high hazard potential. One half of the PMF has been adopted as the appropriate test flood. The dam is in fair condition at the present time. There are various remedial measures which require attention.

NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION

PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT

Identification No.: NH00370 NHWRB No.: 182.04

Name of Dam: Upper Ammonoosuc Dam

Town: Northumberland

County and State: Coos, New Hampshire

Stream: Upper Ammonoosuc River, tributary of

the Connecticut River

Date of Inspection: May 14, 1981

BRIEF ASSESSMENT

The Upper Ammonoosuc Dam, also known as Red Dam, is located on the Upper Ammonoosuc River, approximately one mile upstream of the village of Groveton, New Hampshire. State Route 110 passes the left abutment of this dam.

The dam is constructed of rock and earth filled timber cribbing and is equipped with 6.2 feet of nonfailing flashboards. "t is capable of impounding a maximum of 725 acre-feet. The overall length of the dam is approximately 275 feet, and the maximum height is 15 feet. There are four 7-foot-wide wastegates at the right abutment, and there is one 9.5-foot-wide wastegate at the left abutment. The overflow spillway has a weir length of approximately 155 feet.

The original design and construction are unknown. According to the records of the New Hampshire Water Resources Board, the dam was constructed prior to 1920. The four gates at the right abutment were installed in 1973. The dam serves to impound water to maintain the level behind the dam downstream, which provides process water to the owner, the Groveton Paper Company.

The drainage area for this dam consists of 247 square miles of rolling to mountainous forest. The dam is SMALL in size and its hazard potential classification is HIGH, since appreciable economic loss and loss of more than a few lives could result from the event of a dam failure. The appropriate Test Flood for a dam classified small in size with a high hazard classification would be between one-half the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) and the Probable Maximum Flood. One-half of the PMF has been adopted as the appropriate Test Flood.

The one-half PMF inflow is 86,500 cfs. Attenuation due to storage in the reservoir is negligible. The Test Flood outflow is 86,500 cfs, with the water surface at elevation 907.4 feet (NGVD), which is 15.1 feet above the top of the dam. The spillway is capable of passing 9% of the Test Flood routed peak outflow without overtopping.

The dam is in FAIR condition at the present time. It is recommended that the owner retain the services of a qualified registered professional engineer to conduct a detailed hydraulic and hydrologic study to further define the need for and means to increase the project discharge capacity and the ability of the dam to withstand overtopping; to conduct a detailed inspection of the spillway under low flow conditions; and to evaluate the condition of the left abutment and make recommendations for its restoration. Remedial measures to be undertaken by the owner include implementing annual maintenance and inspection programs, and developing a plan for dam surveillance during flood periods and a formal, written system for warning downstream residents and appropriate officials in the event of an emergency. These engineering studies and remedial measures should be implemented by the owner within one year of receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report.

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PREFACE

This report is prepared under guidance contained in the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, for Phase I investigations. Copies of these guidelines may be obtained from the Office of Chief of Engineers, Washington, D.C., 20314. The purpose of a Phase I Investigation is to identify expeditiously those dams which may pose hazards to human life or property. The assessment of the general condition of the dam is based upon available data and visual inspections. Detailed investigations, and analyses involving topographic mapping, subsurface investigations, testing, and detailed computational evaluations are beyond the scope of a Phase I investigation; however, the investigation is intended to identify any need from such studies.

In reviewing this report, it should be realized that the reported condition of the dam is based on observations of field conditions at the time of inspection along with data available to the inspection team. In cases where the reservoir was lowered or drained prior to inspection, such action, while improving the stability and safety of the dam, removes the normal load on the structure and may obscure certain conditions which might otherwise be detectable if inspected under the normal operating environment of the structure.

It is important to note that the condition of a dam depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evolutionary in nature. It would be incorrect to assume that the present condition of the dam will continue to represent the condition of the dam at some point in the future. Only through continued care and inspection can there be any chance that unsafe conditions be detected.

Phase I Inspections are not intended to provide detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analyses. In accordance with the established Guidelines, the Spillway Test Flood is based on the estimated "Probable Maximum Flood" for the region (greatest reasonably possible storm runoff), or fractions thereof. Because of the magnitude and rarity of such a storm event, a finding that a spillway will not pass the test flood should not be interpreted as necessarily posing a highly inadequate condition. The test flood provides a measure of relative spillway capacity and serves as an aide in determining the need for more detailed hydrologic and hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition and the downstream damage potential.

The Phase I Investigation does <u>not</u> include an assessment of the need for fences, gates, no <u>trespassing</u> signs, repairs to existing fences and railings, and other items which may be needed to minimize trespassing and provide greater security for the facility and safety to the public. An evaluation of the project for compliance with OSHA rules and regulations is also excluded.

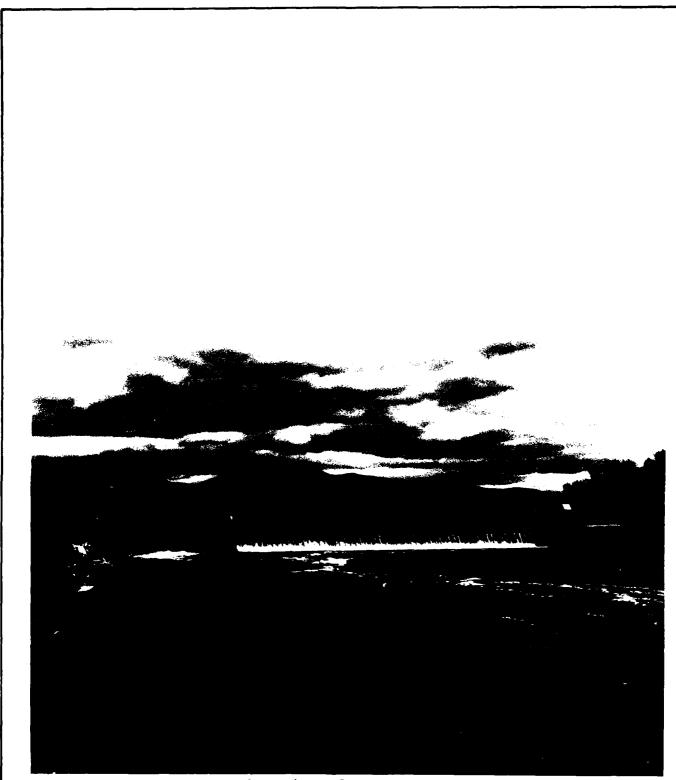
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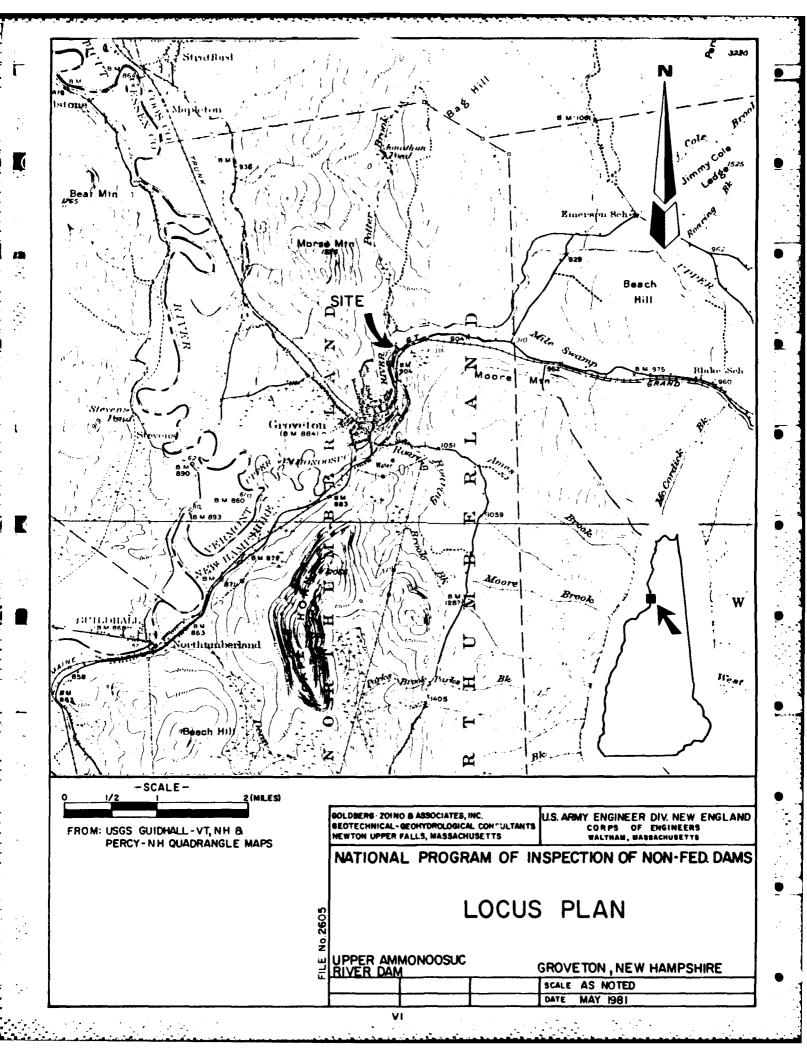
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Overview of Dam



National Dam Inspection Program

Phase I Inspection Report

Upper Ammonoosuc Dam

Section 1: Project Information

1.1 General

(a) Authority

Public Law 92-367, August 8, 1972, authorized the Secretary of the Army, through the Corps of Engineers, to initiate a National Program of Dam Inspection throughout the United States. The New England Division of the Corps of Engineers has been assigned the responsibility of supervising the inspection of dams within the New England Region. Goldberg-Zoino & Associates, Inc. (GZA) has been retained by the New England Division to inspect and report on selected dams in the State of New Hampshire. Authorization and notice to proceed were issued to GZA under a letter of April 29, 1981, from Colonel William E. Hodgson, Jr., Corps of Engineers. Contract No. DACW 33-80-C-0055 has been assigned by the Corps of Engineers for this work.

(b) Purpose

- (1) Perform technical inspection and evaluation of nonfederal dams to identify conditions which threaten the public safety and thus permit correction in a timely manner by nonfederal interests.
- (2) Encourage and prepare the states to initiate quickly effective dam safety programs for nonfederal dams.
- (3) Update, verify, and complete the National Inventory of Dams.

1.2 Description of Dam

(a) Location

The Upper Ammonoosuc Dam is located on the Upper Ammonoosuc River, approximately one mile upstream of the village of

Groveton, New Hampshire, and three miles upstream of the confluence with the Connecticut River. It can be reached from State Route 110, which passes near the left abutment of the dam. The dam is shown on U.S.G.S. Guildhall-VT-NH Quadrangle at approximate coordinates N44 36.6', W71 30.4' (see location map on Page vi). Page B-2 of Appendix B is a site plan for this dam.

(b) Description of Dam and Appurtenances

The dam is constructed of rock and earth filled timber cribbing. The spillway is approximately 155 feet long and is constructed of wood planking which is supported by buttresses 2.5 feet on center. There is one gate at the left abutment and there are four gates at the right abutment, to control flow. The overall length of the dam is approximately 275 feet.

(1) Spillway

The spillway consists of a permanent timber crib section topped by braced flashboards, 6.2 feet high. The buttresses are constructed of 4-inch by 6-inch timbers and are spaced roughly 2.5 feet apart. The permanent spillway crest is approximately 4.5 feet above the streambed. A wood apron extends approximately 7 feet downstream of the spillway. The spillway crest has a weir length of approximately 155 feet.

(2) Left Gate Structure

A timber crib structure at the left end of the spillway includes a vertical lift slide gate. The gate opening is 9.5 feet wide and the gate is 10 feet high. It is operated by a chain fall from above. The timber crib between the gate and the spillway is 7.5 feet wide, 8 feet long and 13 feet high. The timber crib to the left of the gate is 24 feet wide, 40 feet long and 13 feet high. This crib meets the left abutment at the highway, which is cut into natural ground.

(3) Right Gate Structure

A timber crib structure extends from the spillway to the right abutment. This crib is 66 feet wide

and 20 feet long. The top of this structure is approximately the same elevation as the top of the left gate structure. This crib houses four vertical lift slide gates which are each 8 feet wide and 9 feet high. The gate openings are 7 feet wide.

The gates are operated by wheel operated gears. Two electric motors are available to provide powered lift, if necessary.

(c) Size Classification

The dam has a maximum impoundment of 725 acre-feet and a height of 15 feet. According to the Corps of Engineers' Recommended Guidelines, a small size dam has a maximum storage between 50 and 1,000 acre-feet or a height between 25 feet and 40 feet. Therefore, this dam is classified as SMALL, based on its storage.

(d) Hazard Classification

The hazard potential classification for this dam is HIGH because of the appreciable economic losses and potential for loss of more than a few lives downstream in the event of dam failure. Ten houses approximately 4,000 feet downstream would experience approximately one foot of prefailure flooding. The failure flood at these houses would be on the order of 3 feet. Section 5 of this report presents a more detailed discussion of the hazard potential.

(e) Ownership

The dam is owned by the Groveton Paper Company, Groveton, New Hampshire. Mr. Walter Taylor, the chief engineer, can be reached by telephone at (603) 636-1154, extension 227.

(f) Operator

The operation of the dam is controlled by the Groveton Paper Company, Groveton, New Hampshire. Mr. Walter Taylor, the chief engineer, can be reached by telephone at (603) 636-1154, extension 227.

(g) Purpose of Dam

The purpose of the dam is to impound water for temporary storage. This water is released to maintain the level behind a dam downstream, which supplies process water to the paper mill.

(h) Design and Construction History

The dam was originally constructed around 1920. At that time, it had a 200-foot spillway and two waste gates at the right abutment. In 1972, a gate structure housing four gates was installed at the right abutment. Each of these gate openings is 7 feet wide. At the left abutment is a waste gate 9.5 feet wide which was installed prior to 1972. These changes reduced the spillway crest length to approximately 155 feet.

(i) Normal Operating Procedure

No formal operating procedures exist for this dam. The waste gates are normally partially open.

1.3 Pertinent Data

(a) Drainage Area

The drainage area for this dam covers 247 square miles. It is made up primarily of rolling to mountainous forest.

(b) Discharge at Dam Site

(1) Outlet Works

The outlet works for this dam consist of four vertical lift gates at the right abutment and one gate at the left abutment. The right abutment gate openings are each 7 feet wide, with an invert elevation at 879.3 feet NGVD. Each gate will pass approximately 640 cfs with the reservoir at top-of-dam elevation (892.3 feet NGVD). The left gate is 9.5 feet wide, with an invert elevation of 888.1 feet NGVD. The left gate will pass approximately 1,000 cfs with the reservoir at top-of-dam elevation.

(2) Maximum Known Flood

A USGS gauge (2.5 miles upstream) indicated a peak flow on May 20, 1969, of 24,100 cfs.

(3) Ungated Spillway Capacity at Top of Dam

The capacity of the spillway with the reservoir at top-of-dam elevation (892.3 feet NGVD) is 4,280 cfs.

(4) Ungated Spillway Capacity at Test Flood

The Test Flood overtops the dam by 15.1 feet. The discharge above the spillway at this level (907.4 feet NGVD) is 41,060 cfs.

- (5) Gated Spillway Capacity at Normal Pool
 There are no gated spillways.
- (6) Gated Spillway Capacity at Test Flood
 There are no gated spillways.

(7) Total Spillway Capacity at Test Flood

The discharge above the spillway at Test Flood elevation (907.4 feet NGVD) is 41,060 cfs.

(8) Total Project Discharge at Top of Dam

The total project discharge at top-of-dam elevation (892.3 feet NGVD) is 7,840 cfs with all of the waste gates open.

(9) Total Project Discharge at Test Flood Elevation

The total project discharge at Test Flood elevation (907.4 feet NGVD) is 86,500 cfs.

(c) Elevation

- (1) Streambed at toe of dam: Approximately 877.3
- (2) Bottom of cutoff: Unknown

- (3) Maximum tailwater: Unknown
- (4) Normal pool: Approximately 888.0
- (5) Full flood control pool: Not applicable
- (6) Spillway crest: Approximately 881.8 with flashboards: 888.0
- (7) Design surcharge: Unknown
- (8) Top of dam: 892.3
- (9) Test flood surcharge: 907.4

(d) Reservoir (length in feet)

This is a run-of-the-river dam with a reservoir length of approximately 10,000 feet.

(e) Storage (acre-feet)

- (1) Normal pool: 400
- (2) Flood control pool: Not applicable
- (3) Spillway crest pool: 400
- (4) Top of dam pool: 725
- (5) Test flood pool: 1,930

(f) Reservoir Surface (acres)

This is a run-of-the-river dam with a reservoir surface area of approximately 75 acres.

(g) Dam

- (1) Type: Gravity, overflow, timber crib with earth and rock fill
- (2) Length: Approximately 275 feet
- (3) Height: Approximately 15 feet

- (4) Top width: Variable
- (5) Side slopes: Not applicable
- (6) Zoning: Not applicable
- (7) Impervious core: Not applicable
- (8) Cutoff: Unknown
- (9) Grout curtain: Unknown
- (h) Diversion and Regulating Tunnel

Not applicable

- (i) Spillway
 - (1) Type: Timber, broad crested weir
 - (2) Length of weir: 155 feet
 - (3) Crest elevation: 881.8 feet (NGVD)
 - (4) Gates: None, nonfailure flashboards to elevation 888.0 feet.
 - (5) Upstream channel: Upper Ammonoosuc River
 - (6) Downstream channel: Upper Ammonoosuc River
- (j) Regulating Outlets

The regulating outlets at this dam consist of four gates at the right abutment and one gate at the left abutment. The gates at the right abutment are each 7 feet wide, with an invert elevation of approximately 879.3 feet (NGVD). The gate at the left abutment is 9.5 feet wide, with an invert elevation of 881.8 feet (NGVD).

Section 2: Engineering Data

2.1 Design Data

None of the original design drawings or calculations are available for this dam. Lacking are data concerning the length and depth of any cutoff and the foundation conditions.

2.2 Construction Records

No construction records are available for this dam.

2.3 Operational Records

No operational records are available for this dam.

2.4 Evaluation of Data

(a) Availability

The lack of detailed design and construction data warrants an unsatisfactory assessment for availability.

(b) Adequacy

The lack of in-depth engineering data does not permit a definitive review. Therefore, the adequacy of the dam cannot be assessed from the standpoint of reviewing design and construction data. This assessment of the dam is based primarily on the visual inspection, past performance, and sound engineering judgment.

(c) Validity

The observations of the inspection team generally confirm the information contained in the records of the New Hampshire Water Resources Board. Therefore, a satisfactory evaluation for validity is indicated.

Section 3: Visual Inspection

3.1 Findings

(a) General

The Upper Ammonoosuc Dam is in fair condition at the present time.

(b) Dam

(1) <u>Left Abutment</u> (See Photos 1, 2 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7)

This structure is constructed with timber cribbing and sheeting, filled with boulders and gravel, and houses a waste gate. The main supporting members are generally 15-inch-diameter logs laid up horizontally, with 3-inch planking fastened in the vertical position. The outboard end of this structure consists of square logs and horizontal planking. Visual observations revealed that the horizontal logs, the vertical planking, and the outboard crib are partially rotted. Vertical planks are missing, and there is evidence of ground erosion. Two sinkholes were noted at the downstream end (see Photo 3). Considerable seepage (50 to 100 GPM) is passing through the outboard crib.

The steel pipe rail around this structure is in good condition.

(2) Spillway (See Photos 1 and 3)

Observation revealed that the downstream buttresses of this structure are well aligned. The spillway shows no evidence of distress and appears to be well-maintained. A complete inspection could not be accomplished due to sheet flow, and it is recommended that this structure be inspected under low flow conditions.

(3) Right Abutment (See Photos 2 and 8)

This timber crib structure is constructed with 12-inch-square members, laid horizontally, and filled with boulders and gravel. It houses four waste gates. The entire upstream face of this structure and the

upstream side walls of the waste gate openings are faced with 3/8-inch steel plate. Wood planking has been fastened to the top of the structure. Visual observations revealed that this structure is in good condition, with no any evidence of rot or distress.

Two electric motors are installed to service two gates each. These motors can be attached by chain drive to provide assistance for lifting the gates. They appear to be in good condition.

(4) Waste Gate - Left Abutment (See Photos 2, 6, and 7)

This gate is fabricated from steel plate 3/8 inch thick, and is horizontally backed with four 4-inch I beams. Gate guides are fabricated from steel angles. Operation of this gate is manually performed by means of a chainfall. The chainfall is hung from an inverted "U" frame fabricated from structural steel. The gate and the operating assembly are well maintained. Observations revealed that this gate is not fully seated.

Personnel were not available for testing the operation of the gate. According to the owner's representative, the gate is operable.

(5) Waste Gates - Right Abutment (See Photos 2, 8, 9, and 10)

These gates are fabricated from 3/8-inch steel plate and backed with horizontal members. The guides are fabricated from steel channels. The gate stems (two per gate) are fabricated from rectangular, tubular steel, which is through-bolted to rack gears. Operation of the gates may be performed manually or with a motor drive system. The gates and operating mechanisms are in good condition.

Personnel were not available for testing the operation of the gates. According to the owner's representative, the gates are operable.

(c) Reservoir Area (See Photos 1, 3, 7, and 11)

The shore of the reservoir area is generally shallow to moderately sloping woodland. A state highway passes along the left bank. The shores appear stable and in good condition.

(d) Downstream Channel (See Photos 2 and 12)

The downstream channel is the Upper Ammonoosuc River, which is wide and shallow and leads to the impoundment of another dam at the paper mill.

3.2 Evaluation

The spillway, the right abutment, and all gates, including the operating mechanisms, appear to be in good condition. The only problem area noted during the visual inspection was the partial decay of the timber cribs and erosion at the left abutment. The spillway structure should be inspected under low flow conditions, and the operation of each gate should be inspected over its full range.

Section 4: Operational and Maintenance Procedures

4.1 Operational Procedures

(a) General

No written operational procedures exist for this dam. The waste gates are normally partially open.

(b) Description of any Warning System in Effect

There is no warning system in effect at this dam.

4.2 Maintenance Procedures

(a) General

No formal maintenance program exists for the dam, and maintenance is performed on an "as needed" basis.

(b) Operating Facilities

No formal maintenance program exists, and maintenance is performed on an "as needed" basis

4.3 Evaluation

Additional emphasis on routine maintenance will assist the owner in assuring the long-term safety of the dam and operating facilities. A formal, written, downstream emergency warning system should be developed for this dam.

Section 5: Evaluation of Hydraulic/Hydrologic Features

5.1 General

The Upper Ammonoosuc Dam, also known as the Red Dam, is an earth and rock filled and timber crib structure on the Upper Ammonoosuc River in the town of Northumberland, New Hampshire. Although the dam is essentially a run-of-the-river type, it forms a pond of about 74 acres. The dam is located about 3 miles upstream of the confluence with the Connecticut River and about one mile upstream of the village of Groveton. It is the first in a series of three dams along the river in Groveton.

The spillway consists of a permanent timber crib section topped by braced flashboards, 6.2 feet high. The overall spillway crest length is 155 feet at an elevation of 888.0 feet (NGVD). The abutments are earth and rock filled timber crib structures with one gate in the left abutment and four gates in the right abutment. The gate on the left (invert at 991.2) has a width of 9.5 feet and may be lifted 10.5 feet to the top of its guide slots at the dam crest. The gates on the right have inverts at 879.3 feet and have gate openings of 7 feet by 6 feet when fully open. All gates appear to be in good operating condition.

The tailwater at the Upper Ammonoosuc Dam is established by ponding behind the Brookland Dam, located about 4,500 feet downstream. In the reach between these two dams, the river is wide and flat, with riverbank heights generally only 3 feet to 8 feet above normal water levels. Significantly, residential and Industrial development in Groveton exists in the broad, flat overbank areas of this reach, particularly in the vicinity of the Brookland Dam.

Downstream of the Brookland Dam, the river is confined within higher banks in passing through the remainder of Groveton, which includes a major highway bridge, another dam (now deteriorated and of little consequence), and a railroad bridge. Little development occurs in this reach.

5.2 Design Data

The basic data available for the Upper Ammonoosuc Dam is given in the New Hampshire Water Resources Board's "Inventory of Dams and Waste Power Developments," dated August 10, 1936; the Public Service Commission of New Hampshire's "Dam Record" of August 19, 1936; and the New Hampshire Water Control Commission's

"Data on Dams in New Hampshire" (undated). Also available are an October 1972 "Dam Safety Inspection Report," by the New Hampshire Water Resources Board, and a July 1980 "Site Evaluation Data" report for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. None of the original design plans or plans of modifications to the dam were available.

5.3 Experience Data

A USGS gauge located on the Upper Ammonoosuc River about 2.5 miles upstream of the dam (drainage area = 232 square miles = 94% of that of the dam) has been in operation since August 1940. The maximum recorded discharge of 24,100 cfs (stage of 12.0 feet) was obtained on May 20, 1969. Discussions with the owner did not reveal the effects of this flood. The second highest flood was in March 1936. The discharage during that flood is unknown.

5.4 Test Flood Analysis

The hydrologic conditions of interest in this Phase I Inspection are those required to assess the dam's overtopping potential and its ability to allow an appropriately large flood to pass safely. The evaluation of the impact of an appropriately sized Test Flood requires use of the discharge and storage characteristics of the structure. None of the original hydraulic and hydrologic design analysis was available for this dam.

Guidelines for establishing a recommended Test Flood based on the size and hazard classification of a dam are specified in the "Recommended Guidelines" of the Corps of Engineers. The impoundment of less than 1,000 acre-feet and the height of less than 40 feet classify this dam as a SMALL structure. Its hazard classification is HIGH.

As shown in Table 3 of the "Recommended Guidelines," the appropriate Test Flood for a dam classified as small in size with a high hazard potential would be between one-half the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) and the PMF. Since the height of 15 feet and impoundment of 400 acre-feet are on the low side of the small size classification, one-half of the Probable Maximum Flood has been adopted as the appropriate Test Flood for this dam.

The Corps of Engineer's guidelines for "Maximum Probable Flood Peak Flow Rates" give PMF rates of 700 cfs per square mile (CSM) for rolling topography and 850 CSM for mountainous topography, for a drainage area of 247 square miles. Selecting

700 CSM as most applicable for the entire drainage area yields a peak PMF flow of 173,000 cfs. No attenuation of large flood flows would occur in the small ponding area behind the dam. Therefore, the routed Test Flood outflow (one-half PMF) for Upper Ammonoosuc Dam would be 86,500 cfs. This flow would produce a flood stage 19.4 feet above the spillway, or 15.1 feet over the dam crest. The spillway capacity (including flow through the gates) of 7,900 cfs is only 9% of the peak Test Flood outflow of 86,500 cfs.

5.5 Dam Failure Analysis

The peak outflow that would result from the failure of Upper Ammonoosuc Dam can be estimated using the procedure suggested in the Corps of Engineers, New England Division's April 1978 "Rule of Thumb Guidelines for Estimating Downstream Dam Failure Hydrographs." Failure is assumed to occur with the water surface level at the dam crest elevation of 892.3 feet NGVD, 4.3 feet above the spillway crest. The discharge just prior to failure at that elevation is given by the Stage-Discharge curve (shown in Appendix D) as 7,900 cfs. The tailwater prior to failure, as established from rating curves for downstream controls, would be about 5.6 feet above its normal level, or at an elevation of 885.9 feet. This is 2.1 feet below the spillway level.

For an assumed breach width equal to about 40% of the dam width at the half-height, the gap in the dam due to failure would be 100 feet. If this gap were to occur in the spillway section of the dam, it would affect about two thirds of the spillway length. It is assumed that the breach would extend to the streambed and would include both the fixed flashboards and the underlying timber crib permanent section. The resulting increase in flow would be 9,700 cfs. The total failure flow, including the prefailure flow of 7,900 cfs, would therefore be 17,600 cfs.

The first downstream reach spans about 2,500 feet between the dam and a railroad bridge. This reach is characterized by banks 4 feet to 8 feet high, with broad flat overbank sections. All development in this reach is high enough to escape damage in the event of dam failure. The high bridge embankment would act as a constriction to diminish any failure wave but would not itself be expected to be damaged. The constriction at the railroad embankment opening would reduce the dam break discharge to about 16,100 cfs.

The downstream flow hazard area most susceptible to damage due to dam failure is the residential and industrial development located in the vicinity of the Brookland Dam, about 4,500 feet This development consists of four houses in the downstream. left overbank area just upstream of the dam and six to eight more houses on the same side along the road adjacent to the This region would act as an overflow section to the dam at stages higher than 3 feet above normal (i.e., above the Brookland Dam Spillway elevation). The living areas of all these houses are about 4 feet above the normal pool level. On the right bank in this same area is a large paper processing plant, consisting of many individual structures. Several of these are located at elevations equal to or less than that of the Brookland Dam spillway. A dike about 3 feet high prevents flows from inundating the plant.

Storage between the railroad crossing and the Brookland Dam would further reduce the dam break discharge to about 15,100 cfs. This flow would increase the prefailure stage of 5.5 feet to 7.3 feet. Prefailure flooding conditions for a flow of 7,900 cfs would produce minor flooding of about one foot in depth in the houses along the left bank, and significant overtopping of the right bank dike into the paper plant complex. The failure wave would suddenly increase the depth of flooding in the residential area from about 1 foot to 3 feet and would greatly increase the flow through the paper plant. The additional property damage and loss-of-life potential due to failure would be significant.

Downstream of the 20-foot drop through the Brookland Dam, the river is confined within the high banks of the channelized section of river. Flows overtopping and passing around the ends of the dam would return to the channel and would not be expected to cause significant damage elsewhere in Groveton. Having passed through this channelized reach, the flood plain of the Upper Ammonoosuc River merges with the very broad, flat flood plain of the Connecticut River. This area would rapidly diminish the dam failure flows, and no further hazard would be expected downstream of that described in the vicinity of Brookland Dam.

The appropriate hazard classification for this dam is HIGH because of the significant economic losses and potential for loss of more than a few lives downstream in the event of failure of the dam. As shown in the Dam Failure Analysis section, the

increase in flooding caused by failure would result in property damage and the potential for lost lives at ten to twelve houses and at a paper plant in the vicinity of Brookland Dam about one mile downstream.

The downstream impacts of the failure of Upper Ammonoosuc Dam are summarized on the chart on the following page. Due to the potential for loss of more than a few lives in the event of a dam failure, the appropriate hazard classification for this dam is HIGH.

IMPACTS OF DAM FAILURE

			Level			
	Distance		Above	Flow an	Flow and Stage	
	D/S of Dam	Number of	Normal	Before	After	
Location	(ft.)	Dwellings	(ft.)	Failure	Failure	Comments
Railroad Bridge	2500	ı	7	7900 cfs 5.6 feet	16100 cfs 7.6 feet	Little damage to Railroad Structure
Houses U/S of Brookland Dam	4000	7	7	7900 cfs 5.5 feet	15100 cfs 7.3 feet	Severe flooding - possible loss of life
Brookland Dam	4500	8-9	7	7900 cfs	15100 cfs	Severe flooding to residences and paper
						plant - high property damage and loss of life potential
D/S of Brookland Dam	4500-13000	ı	ı	1	1	Little damage potential in dam failure wave zone

Section 6: Structural Stability

6.1 Evaluation of Structural Stability

(a) Visual Observations

The Upper Ammonoosuc Dam is in fair condition at the present time. Evaluation of the decay of the left abutment is recommended. No other structural deficiencies were noted which warrant further investigation.

(b) Design and Construction Records

No plans or calculations of value to a stability assessment are available for this dam.

6.2 Design and Construction Data

No records of structural stability analyses are available for this dam.

6.3 Post Construction Changes

The dam was constructed in about 1920. The dam was repaired in 1972, which repair included the installation of four new metal sluice gates and bench stands at the right abutment.

6.4 Seismic Stability

The dam is located in seismic zone No. 2 and, in accordance with the recommended Phase I guidelines, does not warrant seismic analysis.

Section 7: Assessment, Recommendations, and Remedial Measures

7.1 Dam Assessment

(a) Condition

The Upper Ammonoosuc Dam is in fair condition at the present time.

(b) Adequacy of Information

The lack of in-depth engineering data precludes a definitive review. Therefore, the adequacy of the dam cannot be assessed from the standpoint of reviewing design and construction data. This assessment is based primarily on the visual inspection, past performance, and sound engineering judgment.

(c) Urgency

The engineering studies and improvements described herein should be implemented by the owner within one year of receipt of this Phase 1 Inspection Report.

7.2 Recommendations

It is recommended that the services of a qualified registered professional engineer be retained to:

- (a) Conduct a detailed hydraulic and hydrologic study to further define the need for and means to increase the project discharge capacity and the ability of the dam to withstand overtopping.
- (b) Evaluate the condition of the timber crib and earthfill at the left abutment and prepare plans for its restoration.
- (c) Conduct a detailed inspection of the spillway under low flow conditions.

The owner should implement the findings of the above engineering studies.

7.3 Remedial Measures

It is recommended that the following remedial measures be undertaken by the owner:

- (a) Implement a program of annual technical inspections of the dam and its appurtenances, including operation of all outlet works.
- (b) Develop a plan for surveillance of the dam during flood periods and a formal emergency system for warning the downstream residents and the appropriate officials.
- (c) Implement and intensify a program of diligent and periodic maintenance, including immediate removal of debris from the left sluiceway.

7.4 Alternatives

There are no meaningful alternatives to the above recommendations.

APPENDIX A

VISUAL CHECKLIST WITH COMMENTS

Inspection Team Organization

DATE: May 14, 1981

PROJECT: NH00370

Upper Ammonoosuc Dam

Northumberland, New Hampshire

NHWRB No. 182.04

WEATHER: Cloudy, cool

INSPECTION TEAM:

Team Captain Nicholas A. Campagna Goldberg-Zoino & Assoc. Soils William S. Zoino GZA GZA Soils Jeffrey M. Hardin Structures Paul Razgha Andrew Christo Engineers Carl Razgha Structures ACE Richard Laramie Camp Dresser & McKee Hydraulics

NHWRB Representative Present - Mr. Richard Debold

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Northumberland, New Hampshire

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AREA EVALUATED	BY	CONDITIONS AND REMARKS
DAM EMBANKMENT	NAC	
Crest Elevation		892.3 feet NGVD
Current Pool Elevation		888.0 feet
Maximum Impoundment to Date		No data
Surface Cracks		None
Pavement Condition		Not applicable
Movement or Settlement of Crest		None noted
Lateral Movement		None noted
Vertical Alignment		Good
Horizontal Alignment		Good
Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures		Sink holes in left abutmendue to missing timber sheeting.
Indications of Movement of Structural Items on Slopes		None noted
Trespassing on Slopes		None
Vegetation on Slopes		None
Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments	NAC	Sink holes in left abutment and erosi of abutment contact.

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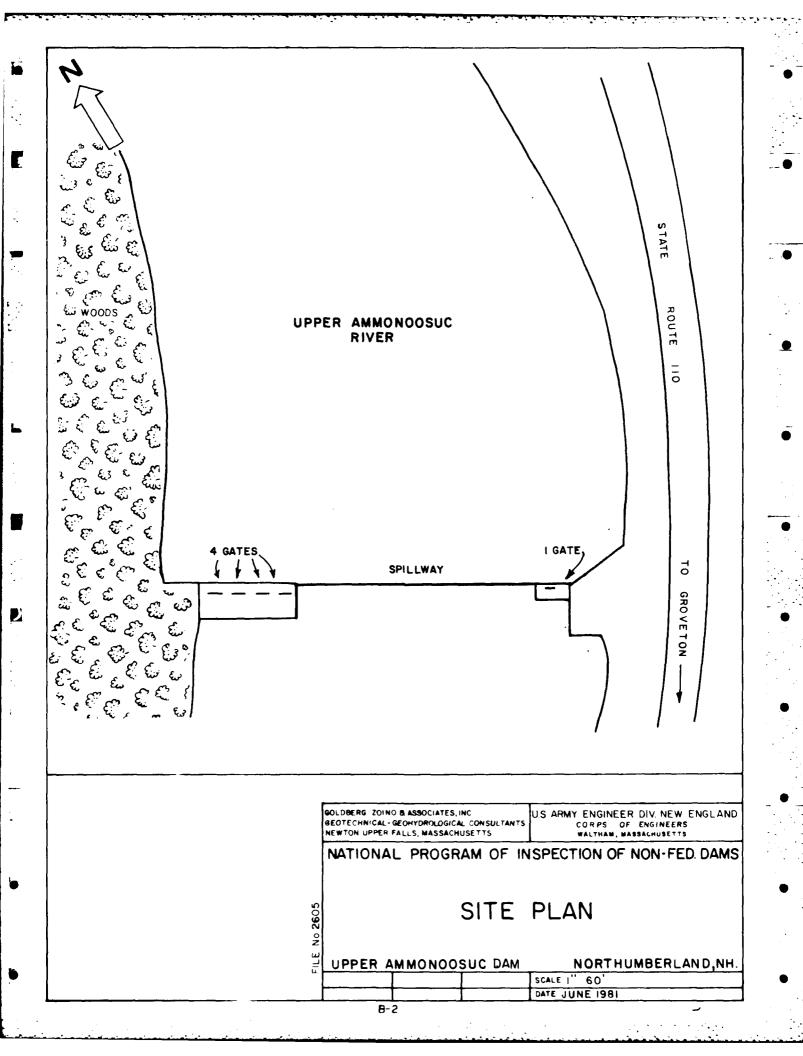
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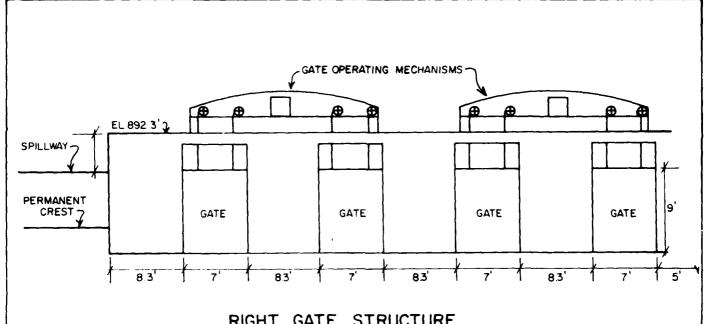
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AREA EVALUATED	BY CONDITIONS AND REMARKS		
Rock Slope Protection - Riprap Failures	NAC	None	
Unusual Movement or Cracking at or near Toes		None	
Unusual Embankment or Downstream Seepage		None	
Piping or Boils		None	
Foundation Drainage Features		None	
Toe Drains		None	
Instrumentation System	NAC	None	
LEFT ABUTMENT	PR		
Timber Crib		Partially rotted, vertical planting missing. Seepage adjacent to spillway.	
SPILLWAY		Good	
RIGHT ABUTMENT		Good	
WASTE GATE - LEFT ABUTMENT			
Gate		Good	
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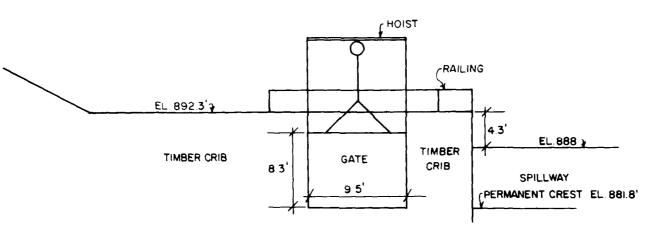
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Slopes	NAC	Generally shallow to moderate slopes, highway along left bank, generally stable.

APPENDIX B
ENGINEERING DATA





RIGHT GATE STRUCTURE



LEFT GATE STRUCTURE

GOLDBERG ZOING & ASSOCIATES, INC. US ARMY ENGINEER DIV NEW ENGLAND BEOTECHNICAL-GEOHYDROLOGICAL CONSULTANTS CORPS OF ENGINEERS WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS NEWTON UPPER FALLS, MASSACHUSETTS NATIONAL PROGRAM OF INSPECTION OF NON-FED. DAMS CROSS SECTIONS NORTHUMBERLAND, N.H. UPPER AMMONOOSUC DAM SCALE NOT TO SCALE DATE JUNE 1981

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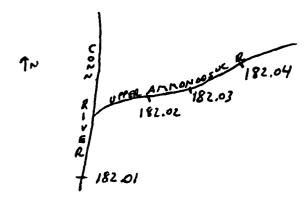
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	DAM CREST LENGTH (bank to bank) 375
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N. H. WATER RESOURCES BOARD Concord, N. H. 03301

DAM SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT FORM

Town:	Northumberland	Dam Number:	182.04		
Inspected by:	Robert B. Chamberlin	Date:	Oct. 27 19 72		
Local name of	dam or water body:				
Owner:	Groveton Paper Co.	Address:	Groveton, N.H.		
Cwner was/was	not interviewed during in	spection.			
Drainage Area	: <u>247</u> sq. mi	Stream: Upper A	mnonoosuc River		
Pond Area:	75± Acre, Sto	prage 15 North Ac-Ft.	Max. Head 7Ft		
Foundation:	Type,	Seepage present at toe -	Yes/No,		
Spillway:	Type Log crib ,	Freeboard over perm. cre	st: <u>7'</u>		
,	Width 200:	Flashboard height	3'		
	Max. Capacity	c.f.s.			
Embankment:	Type,	CoverWidth			
	Upstream slopet	o 1; Downstream slope	to 1		
Abutments:	Type Crib,	Condition: Good, Fair,	Poor		
Gates or Pond	Drain: Size 5 - 7' wide	CapacityTyp	e Lift gates		
	Lifting apparatus 2 racks p	er gate - Operational	condition Good		
Changes since	construction or last inspe	● ***	installed in right		
abutment, one	in left. Gate 7' wide mad	e of 1" steel plate. Ab	utment and sluice-		
ways sheathed	with steel plate.				
Downstream de	velopment: 182.03				
This dam woul	d/would not be a menace if	it failed.			
Suggested rei	nspection date:				
Remarks: F	lash boards and supports ne	atly stored for winter.	All railings and		
gate metalwork newly painted, permanent crest in good condition.					

GROVETON PAPER STILL OWNS
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NEW HAMPSHIRE WATER CONTROL COMMISSION DATA ON DAMS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Drainage area: Con	rolledSq. Mi.:	Uncontrolled Sq. Mi.: Total	247: Sq. Mi
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Height: Stream bed	to highest elev. 15.	.ft.: Max. Structure3.	ft
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DESCRIPTION Cri	b Logs timber and	stone Foundation earth 🚩	
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INVENTORY OF DAMS AND WATER POWER DEVELOPMENTS

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BUILT DESCRIPTION	Crib - Legs	, Timber y Stone	on Earth
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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE—DAM RECORD I-5428 TOWN TOWN STATE NORTHULBERLAND 04 NO. NO. RIVER Upper Amonoosuc River STREAM DRAINAGE POND AREA AREA DAM FOUNDATION Crib Earth TYPE NATURE OF MATERIALS OF Logs, Timber, Stone CONSTRUCTION PURPOSE POWER—CONSERVATION—DOMESTIC—RECREATION—TRANSPORTATION—PUBLIC UTILITY OF DAM HEIGHTS, TOP OF TOP OF DAM TO DAM TO BED OF STREAM Approx. 15* 71 SPILLWAY CRESTS SPILLWAYS, LENGTHS LENGTH DEPTHS BELOW TOP OF DAM Approx. 200 Approx. 3 OF DAM FLASHBOARDS Fixed TYPE, HEIGHT ABOVE CREST OPERATING HEAD TOP OF FLASHBOARDS CREST TO N. T. W. TO N. T. W. WHEELS, NUMBER KINDS & H. P. GENERATORS, NUMBER KINDS & K. W. H. P. 90 P. C. TIME H. P. 75 P. C. TIME 100 P. C. EFF. 100 P. C. EFF. REFERENCES, CASES, PLANS, INSPECTIONS

REMARKS

OWNER:

Groveton Paper Co.

CONDITION:

Fair

MENACE:

Yes. Will be subject to periodic inspection.

To the Public Service Commission:

The foregoing memorandum on the above dam is submitted covering inspection made Aug. 10, 1936, according to notification to owner dated Aug. 5, 1936, and bill for same is enclosed.

D. Waldo White Chief Engineer

Aug. 19, 1936 Copy to Owner

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ID No. 79 Quad Vionadneck
NH No. 206.03 Inspection Date May 5,1980/By CE Hale
COE No. 398 Town Portbury
NAME OF IMPOUNDMENT Pall de la lace
POPULAR NAME
OWNER(S) Keene
ADDRESS
ZIP CODE:
RIVER OR STREAM Offer Brook Tributary
EXISTING DOWNSTREAM DEVELOPMENT
DOWNSTREAM HAZARD: 3 = Low 2 = Significant 1 = High NO Hazard
TYPE OF DAM: Earth, Rockfill, Gravity, Buttress, Arch, Timber Crib
Other 11. th concrete stepling section
PURPOSE: Irr., Hydro., Fld. Control, Water Supply, Rec., Wildlife Mgt.
Other 31/cpstr. slope 211 down str.
HEIGHT: Structural 26. Hydraulic 28'
POND SIZE (acres) AVERAGE DEPTH (feet)
DAM CREST LENGTH (bank to bank) 255
SPILLWAY: Controlled, Uncontrolled, None WIDTH 39' FREEBOARD 5.9'
OUTLET WORKS 4 hoys 9.2' lone 5.9 high stepleg section 3.4' and stop leg at present
REMARKS TELL AT PRESENT
spillway section-topot stopleg section to hase
cë structure en ledge is 139'
D.A. 5.5 SRMi.



CITY OF KEENE

NEW HAMPSHIRE 03431

January 13, 1977

Mr. George M. McGee, Sr. State of New Hampshire Water Resources Board Concord, New Hampshire 03301 RECEIVED J.M.M.S.

ARTH CONCENTRAL BOARD

Dear Mr. McGee:

This letter is in reference to your letter dated December 20, 1976 pertaining to to (Dam #206.01 and Dam #206.03) and letter dated January 5, 1977 pertaining to (Dam #126.03).

As of this date, all work done has been completed as per your request on Dam #206.03.

The work on Dam #206.01 will be started in May 1977 when the snow has gone and spring conditions permit vehicles being able to get to this dam.

This work should be accomplished within two (2) weeks from the starting date.

Dam #126.03, the work will start during the week of January 17th and should be completed by February 1, 1977,

Very truly yours,

GEORGE M. GLINE

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

GMG: eam

NEW HAMPSHIRE WATER RESOURCES BOARD

INSPECTION REPORT

Town: Ro	ex bury	Dam Number: 206.03
Name of Dam, Str	ream and/or Water Body: Babba	que Res
Owner: Kee	ne Water works	Telephone Number:
Mailing Address:		
Max. Height of D	Dam: 16' Pond Area:	Length of Dam: 215'
FOUNDATION:	Vardpan & Ledge	
OUTLET WORKS:	4 - 9' Stepley section crest 12" Nater System Int O" wast pipe	as water about 3'abour
ABUTMENTS:		
EMBANKMENT: E	eth Embarkment 25 i) downstrem With m	To I votum with Riplap ay Trees

Note: Give Sizing, Condition and detailed description for each item, if applicable. B-13

SPILLWAY:	Length: 4@9'	Freeboard: Total 6'
SEEPAGE:	Location, estimated quantity,	etc.
		
Changes Sir	nce Construction or Last Inspec	tion:
Tail Water	Conditions:	
Overall Cor	ndition of Dam: 6036	
Contact Wit	th Owner:	
Date of Ins	spection: 30 Non 76	Suggested Reinspection Date
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State of New Hampshire

WATER RESOURCES BOARD

CONCORD 03301

Dec. 20, 1976

Director, Keene Water Works Keene, N. H 03431

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of RSA 482, Section 8 thru 15, on Nov. 30, 1976, an engineer of the Water Resources Board staff inspected four dams in the Town of Roxbury owned by the Keene Water Works. These dams, on Woodward Pond (Dam #206.01) and on Babbage Reservoir (Dam #206.03) are classifed in the files of this office as menace structures and as such must be maintained in a manner not to endanger public safety nor become a dam in disrepair.

As a result of this inspection it was noted that several items of maintenance or repairs in need of attention.

Woodward Pond (Dam #206.01)

- The west abutment wall at the overflow spillway is cracked and is tipping into the spillway. This is to be repaired to prevent water from washing around the spillway
- 2. There is a small area to the West of the outlet pipe where water appears to be seeping under or through the embankment. This seepage is to be stopped to prevent the possible undermining and washout of the embankment.

Babbage Reservoir (Dam #206.03)

1. Trees that are on the embankment are to be removed. This is to prevent possible damage by the roots or an entire tree being uprooted.

Because these dams are classified as menace structures we require that you send us a proposed schedule of repairs within thirty days. This is not to say that the work is to be completed or even started within this time but that we would like your anticipated dates that this work will take place.

If we can be of any assistance or you have any questions please contact us at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

George M. McGee, Sr. Chairman

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WATER CONTROL COLMISSION

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Concord, New Hampshire
October 13, 1938.

KeeneWater Board, Keene N H

RE: Babbage Rest Dam. W. C. C. No.03.03

Gentlemen:

In order that we may determine the magnitude and extent of the flood of September 21-24 just passed, we are requesting the various dam owners in the State to supply us with the following information:

- 4. What was the maximum Ans. 3-6 height of water over the permanent crest of spillway?
- 6. Any other interesting information regarding the flood or rain fall may be given on the back of this sheet, or attach sheets.

Will you please return this letter with as much information as you can give us as promptly as possible. A self-addressed envelope is attached hereto.

We thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Richard S. Holmgren Chief Engineer

Thickard S. Harryon

CDC:GMB Enc. 206.03 Baltage Res.

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NEW HAMPSHIRE WATER CONTROL COMMISSION DATA ON DAMS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

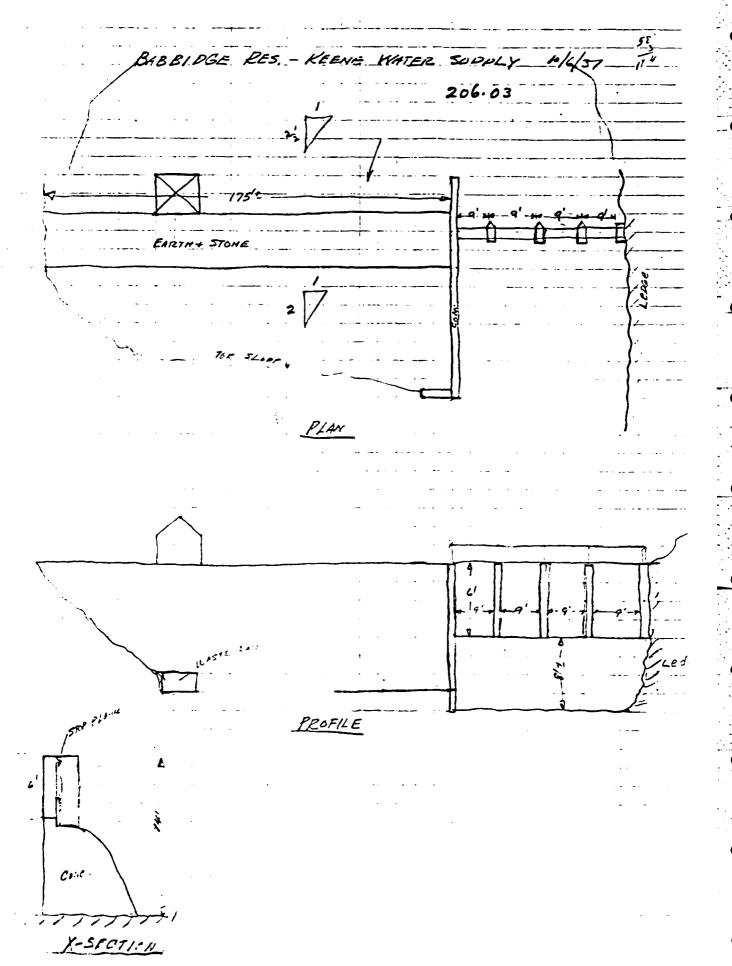
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Stream Babbage Restrant	*****
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GENERAL DATA	
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Overall length of dam 215 ft.: Date of Construction 1931	
Height: Stream bed to highest elev16ft.: Max. Structure	
Cost—Dam : Reservoir	******
DESCRIPTION Earth fill earth stone and concrete	
Waste Gates Type1!8" pipe	
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NEW HAMPSHIRE WATER RESOURCES BOARD

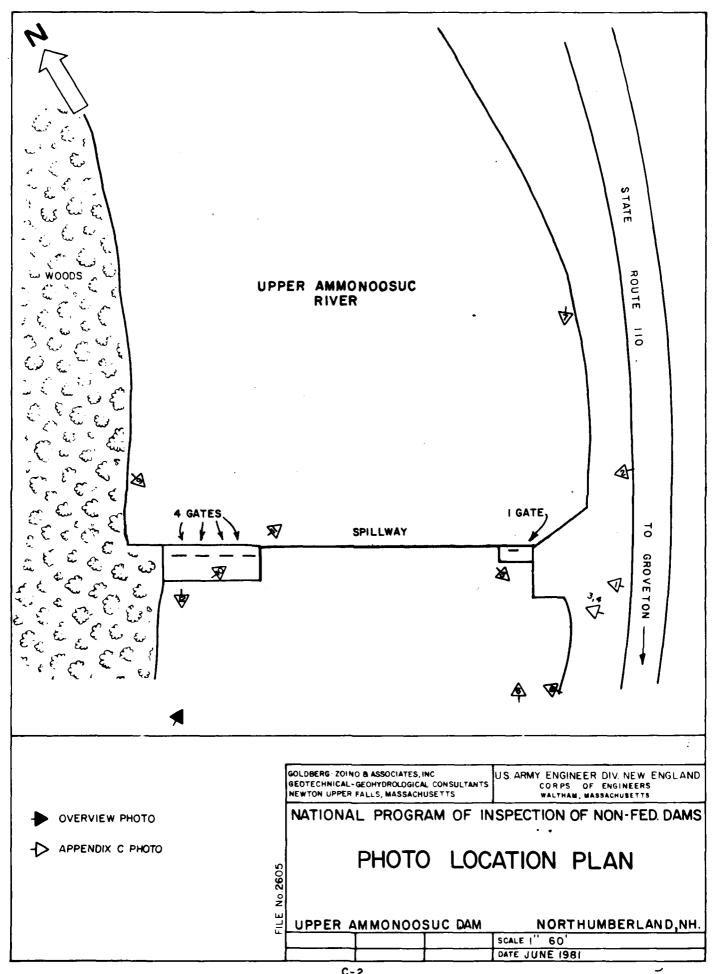
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APPENDIX C PHOTOGRAPHS



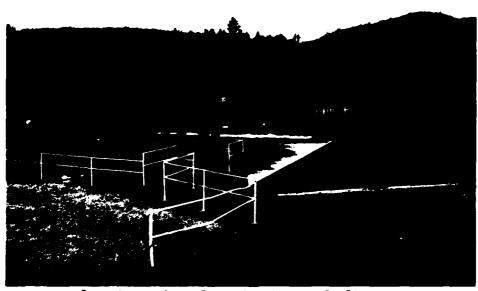
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 Spillway from Left Abutment Note: Sink Hole at Lower Left



2. Overview from Upstream Left

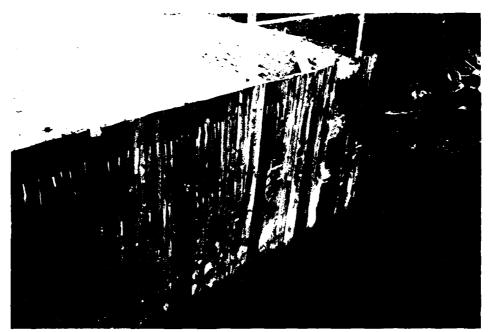


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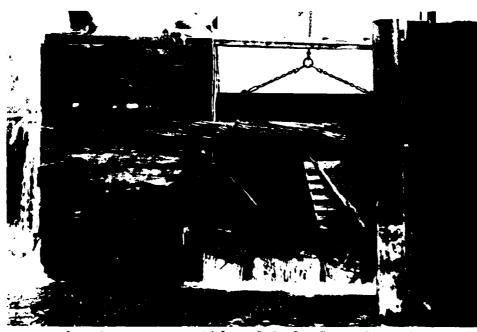
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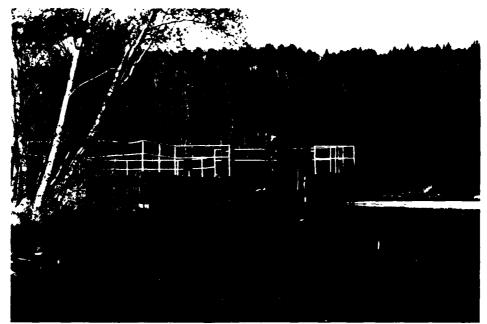
4. Detail of Sinkhole at Left Abutment



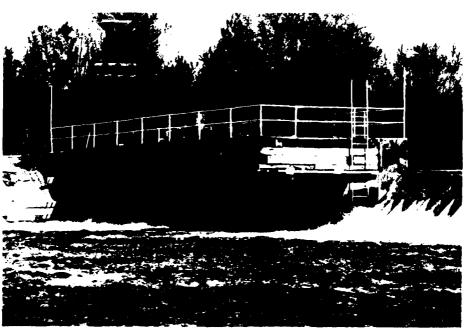
5. Missing Sheeting at Left Abutment



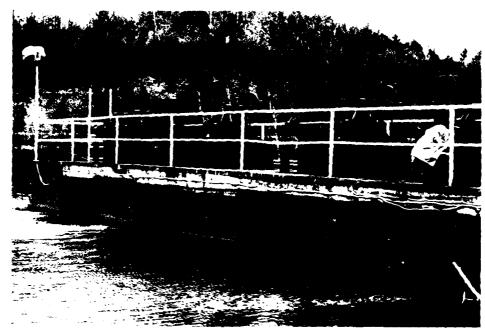
6. Downstream Side of Left Gate Structure Note: Debris and Missing Sheeting



7. Upstream Side of Left Gate Structure



8. Downstream Side of Right Gate Structure



9. Upstream Side of Right Gate Structure



10. Operating Mechanism at Right Gate Structure. Note: Box Houses Electric Motor



11. Upstream Reservoir and Log Boom



12. Downstream Channel

APPENDIX D
HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC COMPUTATIONS

Upper Ammonoosic Dam

Stage-Discharge Curve

An elevation sketch of the Upper Ammonoosic Dam is given on the following page based on field measurements and available records.

Calculations of the dam's stage-discharge curve assumes that all gates are operable and are fully open as shown in the sketch. Hydraulic head (h) is measured from the top of the flashboards.

1. Sluice Gates (right end)

Assume all 4 gates fully open

$$Q_1 = 4[C \times A \times \sqrt{2 \times g \times head}]$$
 (Orifice Eq.)

$$A = 7 \times 6 = 42 \text{ sq. ft.}$$

Head = H + 5.7 ft. (Head on center-line of orifice)

$$Q_1 = 4 \times 0.6 \times 42 \times \sqrt{2g(H + 5.7)}$$

2. Wasteway (left end)

Assume completely open

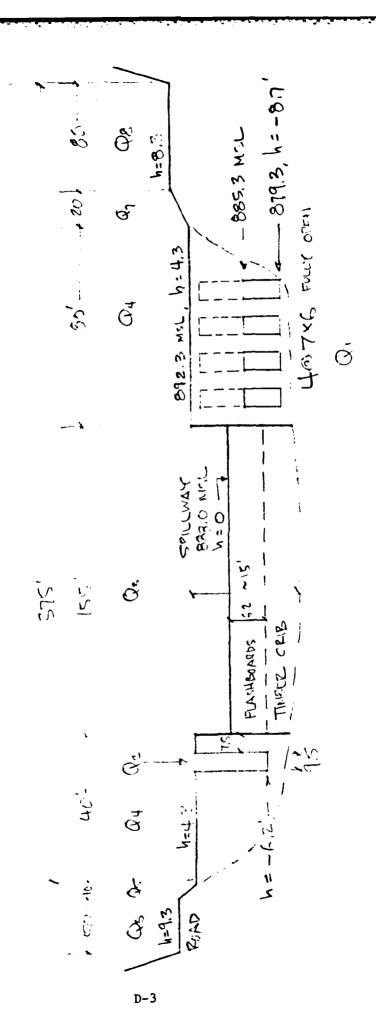
$$Q_2 = C \times L \times (head)^{1.5}$$

$$C = 3.1$$

$$L = 9.5 ft.$$

head = H + 6.2 ft.

$$Q_2 = 3.1 \times 9.5 \times (H + 6.2)^{1.5}$$



3. Spillway

$$Q_3 = 3.1 \times 155 \times H^{1.5}$$

4. Dam

$$Q_4 = 3.0 \times (30.5 + 80) (H - 4.3)^{1.5}$$

5. Left Abutment

$$Q_5 = 2.8 \times (2 (H - 4.3)) (0.5 (H - 4.3)^{1.5} : H < 9.3$$

$$Q_5 = 2.8 \times 10 \times (H - 6.8)^{1.5} : H \ge 9.3$$

$$Q_6 = 2.8 \times 50 \times (H - 9.3)^{1.5}$$

6. Right Abutment

$$Q_7 = 2.8 \times (5 (H - 4.3)) (0.5 (H - 4.3))^{1.5} : H < 8.3$$
 $Q_7 = 2.8 \times 20 \times (H - 6.3)^{1.5} : H \ge 9.3$

$$Q_8 = 2.8 \times 80 \times (H - 8.3)^{1.5}$$

The BASIC program used to calculate the head-discharge function is listed on page D-5, followed by tabular results and graphical results.

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ABUTMENTS"
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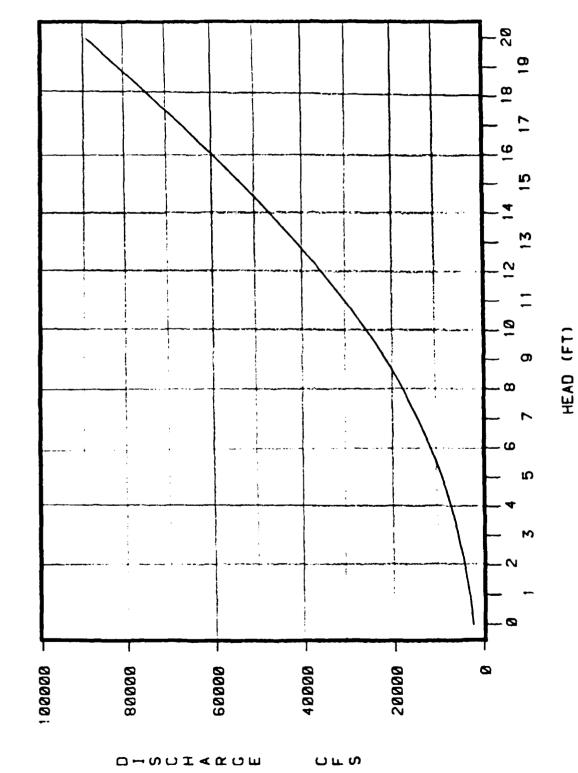
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ASSUMES ALL SLUICE GATES FULLY OPEN

RATING CURVE FOR UPPER AMMONOOSIC DAM



Stage-Storage Curve

The volume of storage in the reservoir with the water level at the spillway crest may be determined from the estimated surface area of 75 acres of this level:

Storage =
$$\frac{\text{Depth at Spillway}}{2}$$
 (Surface Area)
= $(\frac{15' - 4.3'}{2})$ (75 acres)
= 400 AF

Surcharge (above spillway) storage can be estimated for any stage (h) above the spillway as 75h, if the effects of any spreading as the pond rises is neglected. Therefore:

Total Storage =
$$400 + 75h$$

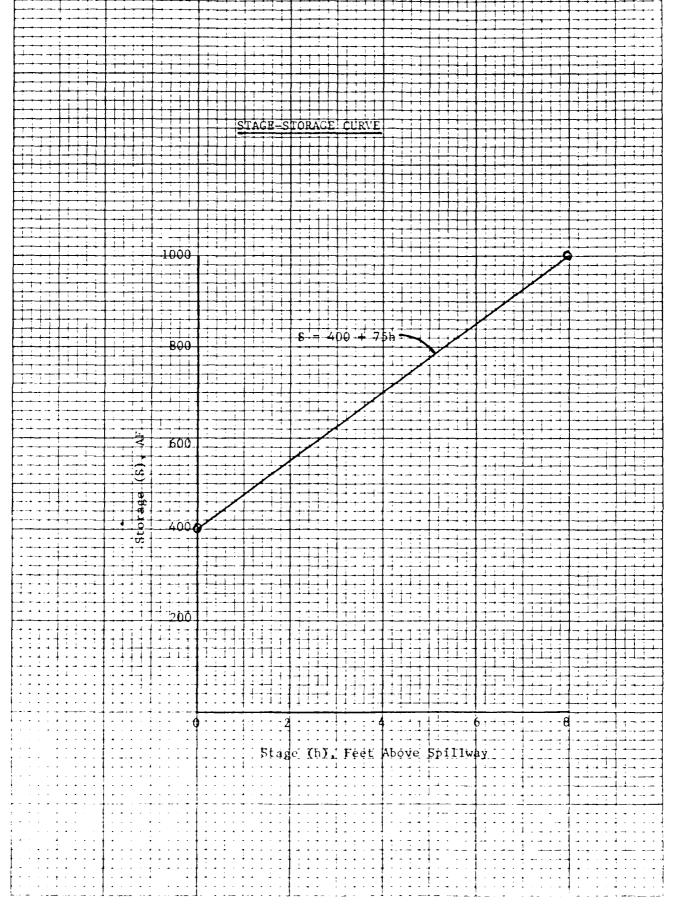
The stage-storage curve for this relationship is given on the next page.

The surcharge storage to the top of the dam is 75(4.3) = 325 AF. It is often convenient to express this quantity in terms of inches of runoff from the contributing drainage area. For the drainage area of 247 sq. miles:

1" of rainfall = 247 x 43560 x
$$\frac{1}{12}$$
 = 896,600 AF

Surcharge Storage to top of dam = $\frac{325 \text{ AF}}{896,600 \text{ AF/in}}$.

= 0.00036 inches of runoff



Dam Failure Analysis

Assume failure when the dam abutments are overtopped at an elevation of 892.3 feet, 4.3 feet higher than the spillway. From the rating curve:

This represents a significant flooding situation, and as may be determined from rating curves for downstream controls developed later in this section, would involve overbank flooding in developed areas downstream.

Breach Flow =
$$Q_{p1} = \frac{8}{27} \times Wb \times \sqrt{g} \times (Y_0)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

Where Wb = breach width
$$Y_0 = breach height$$

Assume breach occurs in the spillway section and extends to the natural streambed. Use the normal procedure of estimating breach width as 40 percent of the dam width at one-half of its height.

Wb = 0.4 (275) = 110, use
Wb = 100 feet

$$Y_0 = 15$$
 feet (see elevation sketch)

Therefore:

$$Q_{p1} = \frac{8}{27} (100) \sqrt{32.2} (15)^{1.5}$$
= 9770 cfs

Total Discharge = Pre-failure + Breach
= 7900 + 9770
= 17670 cfs

A location map showing downstream hazard areas for the Upper Ammonoosic Dam is given at the end of this Appendix. The first downstream reach spans about 2500 feet between the dam and a railroad bridge The high bridge embankment acts as a constriction to diminish the failure flow. A sketch of the control section is shown on the next page.

A stage vs. discharge rating curve for this structure may be established as follows:

First Assume Inlet Control

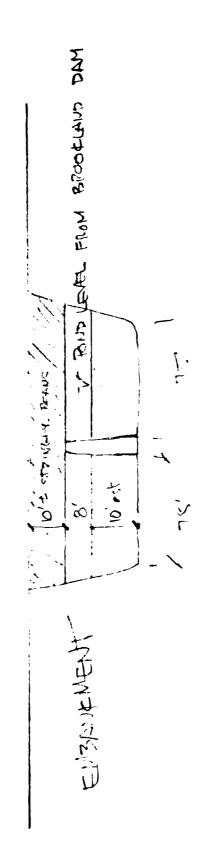
Q =
$$2[\frac{2}{3} C_B B H \sqrt{\frac{2}{3} g H}]$$
 (Henderson, p. 263)

$$C_{B} = 0.9$$
 (Effect of Side Contraction)

H = Stage above streambed

RAILROAD CROSSING

(2500 Feet D/S)



Assume 2 - 75 x 18' Rectangular Openings

$$Q = 2\left[\frac{2}{3} \times 0.9 \times 75 \times H \sqrt{\frac{2}{3} g H}\right] = 417.3 H^{1.5}$$

for $H/D \ge 1.2$

$$Q = 2[C_h \times B \times D \sqrt{2g(H - C_h D)}]$$

(Henderson, p. 263)

$$C_h = 0.6$$

(Effect of Side and Top Contraction)

$$Q = 2[0.6 \times 75 \times 18 \sqrt{2g(H - 0.6 \times 18)}] = 13000 \sqrt{H - 10.8}$$

for H > 28 ft.

add overflow to culvert flow

$$Q_{\text{overflow}} = 3.0 \times 300 \times (H - 28)^{1.5} = 900 \times (H - 28)^{1.5}$$

The results are tabulated below:

INLET CONTROL

<u>H</u>	_Q_
10	13196
12	17347
14	21860
16	26707
18	31868
20	37324
22	43506
24	47231
26	50683
28	53915
30	59509
3 2	67056

Next assume outlet control:

Tailwater level for given Q determined from Head-Discharge curve at Brookland Dam D/S

Headloss through bridge taken as a function of the velocity head through the bridge opening

for TW < 18' (flowing partially full) assume

$$HL = 0.6 \times \frac{v^2}{2g}$$

$$H = TW + 0.6 \times (\frac{Q}{A})^2 / 2g$$

$$A = 2 \times B \times TW = 150 \times TW$$

for TW 18' (flowing full) assume

$$HL = 1.4 \times \frac{v^2}{2g}$$

$$H = TW + 1.4 \left(\frac{Q}{A}\right)^2 / 2g$$

$$A = 2 \times 75 \times 18 = 2700 \text{ sq. ft.}$$

$$H = TW + 2.98 \times 10^{-9} Q^2$$

Outlet Control - Sluice gates open at Brookland Dam

Q	TW	HL	<u>H</u>
2128	10	.02	10
3237	12	.03	12
5839	14	.07	14.1
12196	16	.24	16.2
21481	18	1.38	19.4
33201	20	3.28	23.3
3 9919	21	4.75	25.8

Comparison of the Inlet Control rating table and the Outlet

Control Rating Table indicates that over the entire range of interest

the flow through the bridge opening will be in outlet control, and

therefore the Outlet Control Rating Table applies.

The reduction in flow for various stages is determined from the relationship:

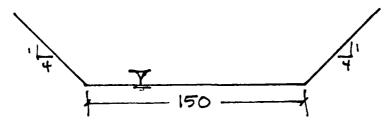
$$Q_{p2} = pre-failure Q + Q_{p1} (1 - \frac{STOR}{VOL})$$

Where:

STOR = Reach Storage

VOL = Failure Storage released

Reach storage is determined from reach stage (above pre-failure) by assuming a 2500' reach section as follows:



STOR =
$$\frac{(154 \text{ h}) 2500}{43560}$$
 = 8.84 h

Failure storage released is determined from the stage-storage curve between the pre-failure tailwater of 885.9 feet MSL and the dam crest of 892.3 feet:

$$VOL = 725 - \frac{8.6}{10.7}$$
 (400) = 405 AF

Therefore:

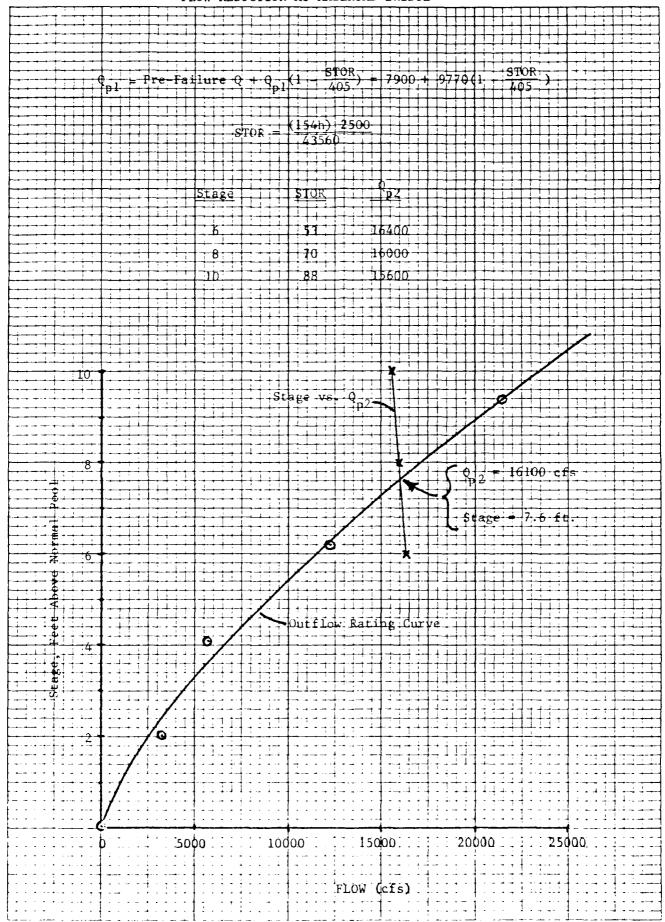
$$Q_{p2} = 7900 + 9770 \left(1 - \frac{8.84h}{405}\right)$$

The reduction in failure flow in this reach is computed as the balance between attenuation due to storage and available outlet capacity. This is determined as the intersection of the Q_{p2} vs. h curve and the outlet control rating curve given previously. This calculation is shown on the following page and indicates a flow reduction to 16,100 cfs with a corresponding stage of 7.6 feet above the normal pool level. No development in this reach is low enough to be subject to damage under these conditions.

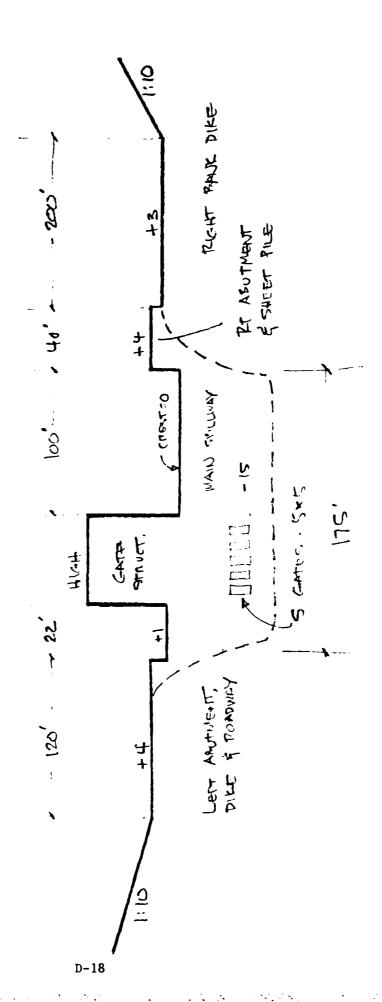
The next reach downstream covers about 2000 feet between the railroad bridge and the Brookland Dam. A sketch of this control section is shown on the following page.

A stage vs. discharge rating curve for this structure is established as follows:

Head (H) is measured from main spillway crest



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1. Sluice Gates

Assume all 5 gates completely open

$$Q_1 = 5[C \times A \sqrt{2 \times g \times head}]$$

(Orifice equation)

$$C = 0.6$$

(Square edge orifice coefficient)

$$A = 5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ sq. ft.}$$

$$Head = H + 12.5$$

(Head on centerline of orifice)

$$Q_1 = 5 \times 0.6 \times 25 \times \sqrt{2 \text{ g (H + 12.5)}}$$

2. Main Spillway

$$Q_2 = C L(head)^{1.5}$$

(Weir Equation)

$$C = 3.1$$

L = 100 ft.

Head = H

$$Q_2 = 3.1 \times 100 \times H^{1.5}$$

3. Left Spillway

$$Q_3 = 3.1 \times 22 \times (H - 1)^{1.5}$$

4. Dike at Right Abutment

$$Q_4 = 2.8 \times 200 \times (H - 3)^{1.5}$$

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HEAD VS. DISCHARGE FOR BROOKLAND DAM"
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HEAD VS. DISCHARGE FOR BROOKLAND DAM

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ASSUMES ALL SLUICE GATES FULLY OPEN

5. Right Abutment and Sheet Pile

$$Q_5 = 2.8 \times 40 \times (H - 4)^{1.5}$$

6. Left Abutment

$$Q_6 = 2.8 \times 120 \times (H - 4)^{1.5}$$

7. Side Slopes

$$Q_7 = 2 \times 2.8 \times (10 (H - 4)) \times (0.5 (H - 4))^{1.5}$$

The BASIC program used to calculate the head-discharge function is listed on page D-24, followed by tabular results.

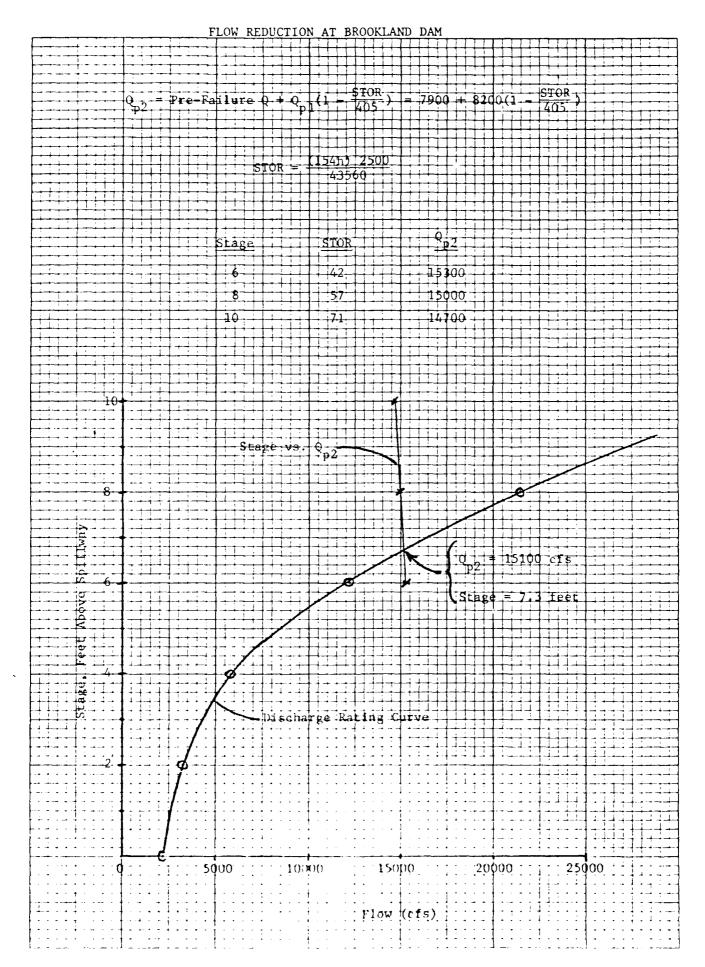
The reduction in flow for various stages is determined as for the Railroad bridge:

$$Q_{p2}$$
 = Pre-failure Q + Q_{p1} (1 - $\frac{STOR}{VOL}$)
 Q_{p1} = 16100 - 7900 = 8200
 $STOR$ = $\frac{154h}{43560}$ = 7.07h
 VOL = 405 AF
 Q_{p2} = 7900 + 8200(1 - $\frac{7.07h}{405}$)

The calculation of the reduction in failure flow is shown on the following page. It indicates an attenuated flow of 15,100 cfs and a corresponding stage of 7.3 feet.

Development in this area consists of four houses in the left overbank area just upstream of the dam and six to eight more houses on the same side along the road adjacent to the dam. This region would act as an overflow section to the dam at stages higher than about 3 feet above normal (i.e., above the Brookland Dam Spillway elevation). The living areas of all these houses are about four feet above the normal pool level. On the right bank in this same area is a large paper processing plant, consisting of many individual structures. Several of these are located at an elevation equal to or less than the Brookland Dam spillway.

Pre-failure flooding conditions for a flow of 7900 cfs would have produced minor flooding of about one foot in depth in the houses along the left bank, and significant overtopping of the right bank dike into the paper plant complex. The failure wave would suddenly increase the depth of flooding in the residential area from about one to three feet, and greatly increase the flow through the paper plant. The additional property damage and loss of life potential due to failure would be significant.



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Test Flood Analysis

Size Classification - SMALL

Storage = 75 AF < 1000 AF

Height = 15' < 40'

Hazard Classification - HIGH

Dam failure would result in the possible loss of more than a few lives at about a dozen houses within one mile downstream.

Test Flood Selection

From "Recommended Guidelines," the appropriate test flood for a SMALL dam with a HIGH hazard potential is between the $\frac{1}{2}$ PMF and the PMF. Since the risk is on the lower side of HIGH, use the $\frac{1}{2}$ PMF.

Using the guideline curves for "Maximum Probable Flood Peak Flow Rates":

Drainage Area = 247 square miles

Topography - partially "Mountainous" and partially "rolling." Rates from curves from this drainage area are:

Mountainous = 850 cfs/square mile

Rolling = 700 cfs/square mile

Use 700 cfs/square mile as representative, therefore:

PMF inflow = 247 square miles x $\frac{700}{\text{square miles}}$

= 173,000 cfs

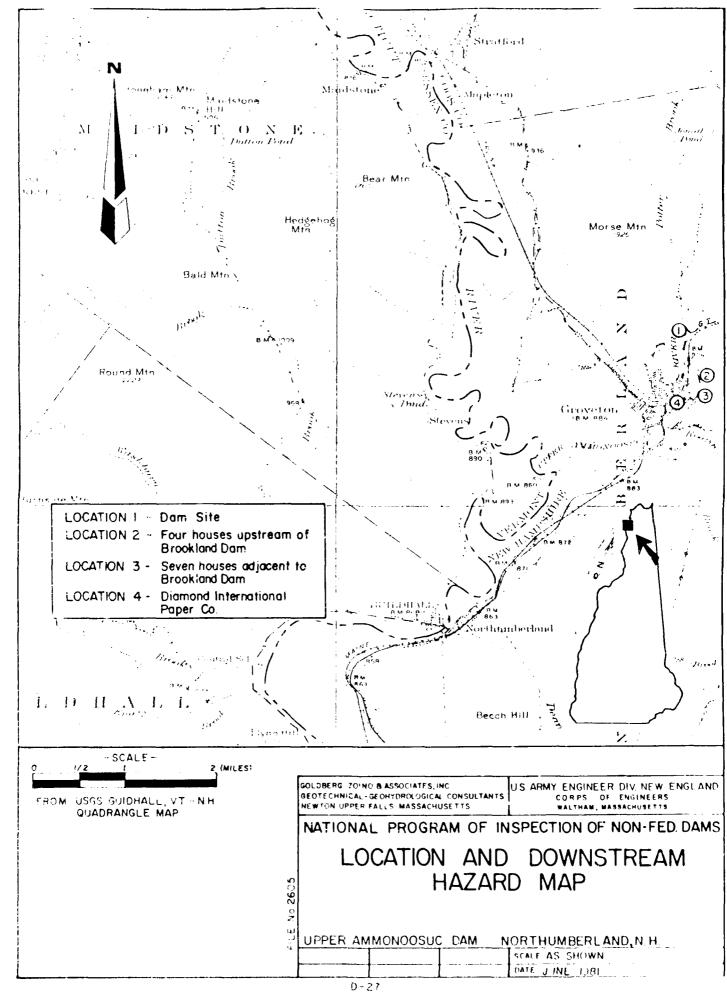
 $\frac{1}{2}$ PMF = $\frac{1}{2}$ x 173,000 = 86,500 cfs

No attenuation of large flood flows could occur in the small ponding area behind the dam. Therefore:

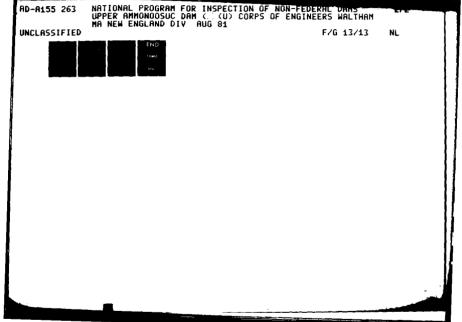
Peak Test Flood Outflow =
$$86,500 \text{ cfs}$$

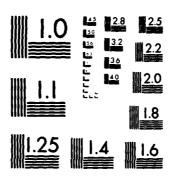
From the rating curve on Page D-7 this flow would produce a peak flood stage 19.4 feet above the spillway, or 19.4 - 4.3 = 15.1 feet over the dam crest.

Spillway Capacity = $\frac{7900}{86,500}$ x 100 = 9% of Test Flood

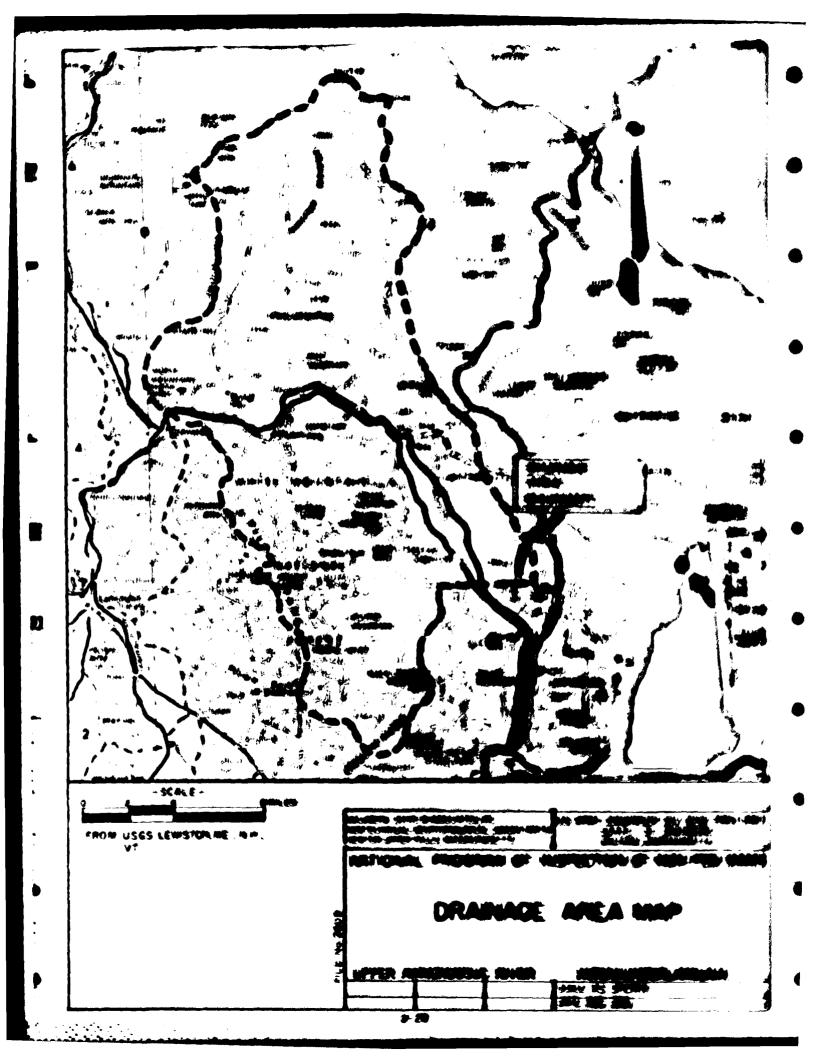


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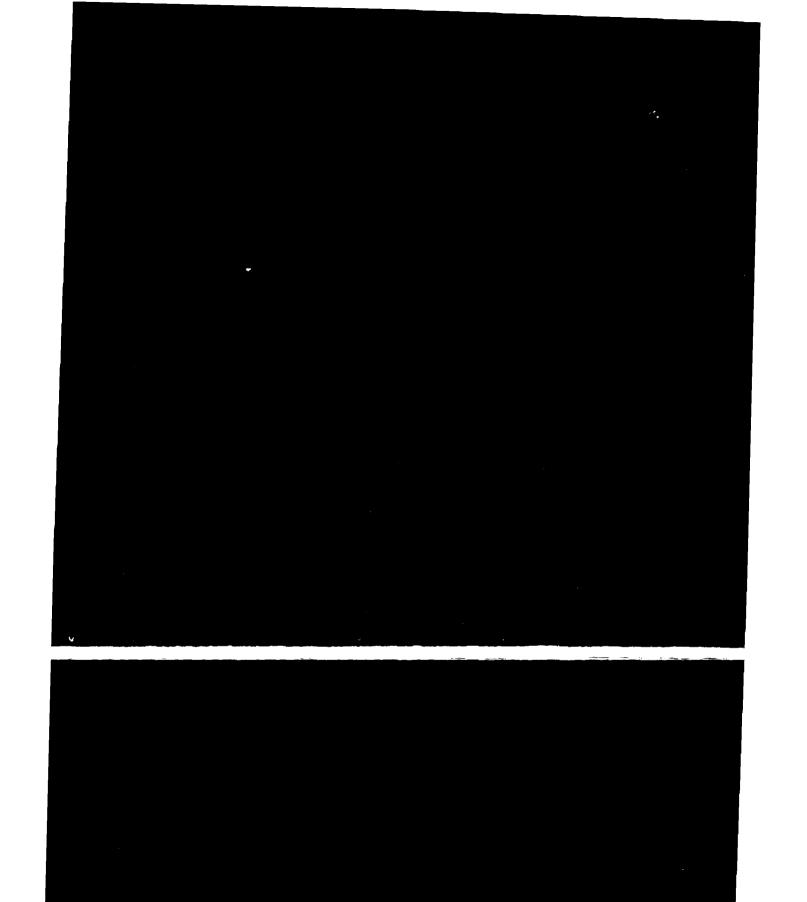


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